

Biographical Description for The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Lee Bailey

PERSON

Bailey, Lee, 1947-

Alternative Names: Lee Bailey;

Life Dates: July 27, 1947-

Place of Birth: Moreland, California, USA

Work: Los Angeles, CA

Occupations: Radio Personality; Broadcast Executive

Biographical Note

Broadcast executive Lee Bailey has always been fascinated with radio. He was a regular visitor to radio stations in his hometown of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania while growing up. His first experiences with radio began while he was still in the Air Force.

Nicknamed "The Voice," Bailey began his broadcast career in 1970 as an on-air radio personality in Sacramento, California followed by a job at a radio station in Washington, D.C. Bailey achieved the most fame while working at Los Angeles's KUTE-FM. His talent also led to voice over jobs for radio and television commercials in Los Angeles. Bailey converted his garage into a studio in 1979 and formed Lee Bailey Productions, a voice over production company. Lee Bailey Productions specialized in radio commercial spots and corporate slide presentations. As the company expanded, Bailey and his wife, Diane Blackmon Bailey, created RadioScope: the Entertainment Magazine of the Air, a syndicated radio show, and Bailey Broadcasting Services (BBS), in 1983.

Today, RadioScope is aired in daily and weekend versions in over 100 U.S. markets and in over 70 countries. It maintains the largest following of any syndicated urban radio show. Lee Bailey Communications, Inc. also produces two other popular daily programs, Inside Gospel and the Hip-Hop Countdown & Report. In addition to radio programming, Lee Bailey Communications has a strong presence on the World Wide Web. BBS Interactive maintains the online publication the Electronic Urban Report, a website that shares urban entertainment news.

Related Entries

University of Arkansas [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to ?]

BA--Journalism

Cowley Elementary School [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to ?]

Lattman Junior High School [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to ?]

Allegheny Traditional Academy [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to ?]

HS diploma

Sacramento City College [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to ?]

Not Obtained

KUTE Radio [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 1975 to 1979]

Radio Disc Jockey

Lu Bailey Communications [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 1979 to ?]

Founder/President

Watts Willowbrook and Boys & Girls' Club [MEMBEROF]
[from ? to ?]